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No Accord Near, Says Humphrey

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 8--Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey predicted today that there would be no settlement of political differences between the Soviet Union and the United States "for a long time."

But, he told reporters, he did not foresee war between the two cold-war antagonists for at least seven years, the period of the newly announced Soviet economic plan.

The interval, he said, could be used by the U.S. to build up "people-to-people" understandings with the Russians, in such fields as medical research, which might prevent war altogether.

The Minnesota Democrat met reporters upon his return to Washington from a Russian visit during which he had an eight-hour conference with Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet premier. The senator, known as a voluble speaker, drew laughs when he told a questioner the Soviet premier had done most of the talking "by predetermined prearrangement by Mr. Khrushchev."

Atomic Information

Sen. Humphrey indicated the much-publicized "secrets" he is carrying from Khrushchev to the President and State Department concern Soviet development in the field of atomic energy. He told newsmen who met him at National Airport earlier that he did not believe the information "bodes any ill" to this country.

He said he could not imagine that this government did not already know the "secrets," but he said the American embassy in Moscow had told him the U.S. did not, so he was transmitting the information as Khrushchev had requested. He said the message did not concern a proposed "summit meeting."

Talks With Officials

In the afternoon the senator met at the State Department for nearly two hours with Christian Herter, acting secretary of state, John A. McCone, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Allen Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency. He has an appointment with President Eisenhower for tomorrow.

Sen. Humphrey said "there are no great political decisions in the offing" on matters which divide the two nations. He made a strong plea for more imaginative diplomacy on both sides because "the policy of threats is barren, sterile and futile."

"We're not going to frighten them and they are not going to frighten us," he said.

He said he had received no indication that the Soviet Union was interested in disarmament.

No War for 7 Years

"They are interested, I think in having no war for seven years," he said, "at least during the next seven years the success of their (economic) plan would depend on peace."

"This is time for them—it is time for us—it is time for everybody."

He said the crisis over Berlin, while "serious and deep," was basically another Soviet probing action to try to divide the Western allies.

"If we maintain a unified policy," he said, "there won't be war over Berlin and we won't have to get out."